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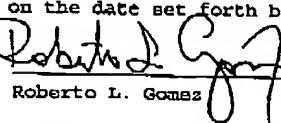
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application is an Amendment under Rule 116 in reply to the final Office Action mailed on February 22, 2006.

A fee for additional claims is not required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 503195.

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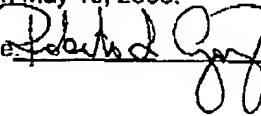
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**AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on February 22, 2006 ("Office Action"), in the above-referenced patent application, Applicants hereby request that the following amendments be entered.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 14 of this paper.